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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Stanley M. Moskowitz
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SUBJECT: Status of JFK Legislation

1. This note is to advise you of the current status of the JFK Joint Resolutions.


2. Since your testimony last month before the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, we have worked with Senator Glenn's staff to resolve various CIA concerns with the Senate version of the Resolution. The staff agreed to amend the Joint Resolution to accommodate all of our major concerns. The Resolution now provides that the initial review of documents for public release will be done by the originating agencies and that the President will have the power to postpone the release of Executive Branch information in congressional documents. The Committee marked up the resolution on 25 June and it will be taken up by the full Senate following their Fourth of July recess.

3. The JFK Joint Resolution was referred to four different committees in the House. The Government Operations Committee has voted to report a substitute version. This substitute is less favorable than the Glenn redraft but addresses several Administration concerns, such as Presidential appointment to the Assassination Materials Review Board. The Committee did not agree to include in the legislation the concept of initial review of assassination records by the originating agencies or Executive branch review of its information in congressional documents. However, we have worked with Committee staff, who have agreed to address CIA concerns in their report. That report is due to be filed imminently. The House Judiciary, Rules, and Administration Committees have not yet acted on the legislation, although the relevant Judiciary subcommittee reported the original Stokes version to the full committee. The House is likely to adopt the Joint Resolution as reported out of the Government Operations Committee, but no earlier than after the Fourth of July recess.

/s/ Stanley M. Moskowitz

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